

Title: Heigel's Research

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Hello!

I never considered that an outside observer might find a Moongate wondrous. My people take them for granted and cast the spell frequently. The words of power are "Vas Rel Por". It requires three common reagents: Black Pearl, Mandrake Root, and Sulphurous Ash.

I have spoken to some arcane experts on my world about the fundamental nature of Moongates. An associate named Dryus Doost gave me the simplest explanation of how gates distort the fabric of reality. He explained that the shortest distance between two points on a piece of paper is to fold the paper so the points overlap and poke a hole through. Each time a Moongate is cast, it opens a hole into the Ethereal Void where our world's arcane geometry is more flexible.

Another mage, Gilforn, is one of the few people who has ever added to the permanent Moongate network. He wouldn't tell me much about how he created his gate. He mumbled something about being taught the spell by shadowy figures in a

strange dream:

init kal vas gres
trak sek-de
ter-mer..
 re in ew tu-tim
in-ten
 re grav behi
trak-por

However, Gilforn was helpful in explaining that permanent gates require a material focus when they are cast. He gave two examples. The first was when our king trapped a dangerous being in the Ethereal Void, he used a powerful moonstone. The other was the gate spell you observed which was created with a focus of four rare gems. Gilforn did mention that blackrock can be a good focus, along with a few other magical substances I did not recognize.

Can you tell me what your plan is once you make it to Britannia?

-Heigel